## Safe and Healthy Lives in Safe and Healthy Communities

**To:** Members of the Community Interested in the:

Rules and Regulations for the Licensing of Nursing Service Agencies

(23-17.7.1-NSA)

From: Raymond Rusin, Chief

Office of Health Professions Regulation

**Date:** October 19, 2005

Attached for your review is a copy of **DRAFT** *Rules and Regulations for the Licensing of Nursing Service Agencies*. These are proposed new regulations promulgated in accordance with the provisions of Public Law 05-168 enacted by the Rhode Island General Assembly on July 6, 2005. With the promulgation of this new set of regulations, the Department will concurrently repeal the existing *Rules and Regulations for the Registration of Nursing Pools* (*R5-34.1-POOL*) that were promulgated in December 2004.

Because of your interest, knowledge, and expertise in these matters, the Department would appreciate your review of the attached document in preparation for an *informal* community review meeting scheduled for: Tuesday, November 29, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. in the Beck Conference Room of the Cannon Building (located on the lower level behind the snack bar).

If you have any questions about the proposed regulations, please contact me at 401-222-2566 or via e-mail: **Raymond.Rusin@health.ri.gov.** If you are unable to attend this meeting, you may direct your written comments to me before the meeting.

Please feel free to circulate additional copies of this document, as needed. Upon request, for persons with disabilities, copies of these proposed regulations are also available in Braille, large print, audio cassette, and electronic file (computer disk). Contact the Division of Health Services Regulation (401-222-1039 or RI Relay dial 711) if you need such assistance. These regulations also appear on the Department's website: www.health.ri.gov/hsr/regulations/index.php and the Secretary of State's website: www.rules.state.ri.us/rules/.

Your participation is appreciated. *Thank you.* 

Attachment